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**Subject:** Follow up to Oct 30th Columbia River Toxics Reduction Working Group -

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Dear Columbia River Toxics Reduction Working Group:

As a follow up to the Oct 30<sup>th</sup> meeting and my October 31 email to you, I have attached a meeting summary from the Oct 30<sup>th</sup> meeting summary. And we are providing more information on 5 action items/next steps we will be taking. This email identifies the teams that were created on Oct 30<sup>th</sup>, we will gladly welcome additional volunteers to work on these teams, let us know.

1 – Convening a team to develop the “Columbia River Basin Restoration Working Group” following CWA Section 123 requirements

2 – Developing a report card from the 2010 Columbia River Basin Action Plan

3 – Developing a “Program Management Plan” as requested by GAO

4 – Revisiting the Contaminants of Concern

5 – Scheduling the next Columbia River Toxics Reduction Working Group meeting

### **Convening a team to develop a Columbia River Basin Restoration Working Group under CWA Section 123 requirements:**

As called for in the Clean Water Act Section 123, EPA will work to align and coordinate with key entities to develop a program management and budget plan for water quality related restoration efforts, including efforts to address toxic contaminants in the Columbia River Basin. To do so effectively, the EPA is committed to formally convening a Columbia River Basin

Restoration Working Group with representative stakeholders from throughout the Basin, including States & Tribes, relevant federal agencies, environmental advocacy organizations, watershed councils and soil and water conservation districts, water users, industry associations, agricultural groups, local governments and others. The diverse interests and large geographical area make it impossible for each and every interested entity to participate individually. Therefore, the "Working Group Composition" team will collaborate to create a diverse, representative Working Group to will inform the agency's development of a program management plan to implement the Columbia River Basin Restoration Act. Here is our team, and I will be contacting people next week, to plan a meeting.

Lauren Goldberg, Columbia Riverkeeper

Scott Hauser, USRTF

Keith Kutchins, UCUT

Kevin Scribner, Salmon Safe

Mary Lou Soscia, EPA

David Gruen, ORISE Participant, EPA

### **Developing a report card from the 2010 Columbia River Basin Action Plan**

We agreed that we would revisit the 61 actions from the Columbia River Toxics Reduction Action Plan. We have developed a draft matrix that can be used to provide an assessment of the progress/implementation of the 61 actions since 2010. Before that matrix broadly for input we are going to a QA/QC with our Program Management Plan team (see below) next week. David Gruen will be sending an email to the team with the draft matrix to review suitability and utility for assessment. We would send out the Action Plan Report Card Matrix for the whole group to respond to with a goal of getting responses back by first week of January 2019. EPA would then be working to compile those responses in Jan 2019 again working with the Program Management Plan team to get feedback as work proceeds.

### **Developing a Program Management Plan as requested by GAO**

In the August 2018 report, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) recommended the EPA develop a program management plan that includes a schedule of the action to be undertaken by the EPA and its partners and EPA committed to develop that plan. The Program Management Group will work together to develop a draft Program Management Plan, building off of the 2010 Toxics Reduction Action Plan that identified 61 actions to increase public understanding political commitment to toxics reduction, increase reduction actions, conduct monitoring to identify sources, and develop a regional, multi-agency research program and data management system to share information on toxics in the Basin. Here is our team. As stated above, this team will be providing support and guidance on the Action Plan Report Card Matrix. We will convene this team in mid-January to start scoping the development of the Program Management Plan.

Laura Shira, Yakama Nation Fisheries  
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Deb Marriott, Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership  
Keith Kutchins, UCUT  
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## Revisiting the Contaminants of Concern

Please contact Jennifer Morace if you are interested in this group: [jlmorace@usgs.gov](mailto:jlmorace@usgs.gov)

## Scheduling the next Columbia River Toxics Reduction Working Group Meeting

I will work with our Steering Committee to schedule the next meeting and will let the Working Group know the date and location.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Mary Lou

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**From:** Soscia, Mary Lou

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**Subject:** Columbia River Toxics Reduction Working Group - Oct 30th - The Dalles, OR - Quick summary and follow-up

Dear Columbia River Basin Colleagues:

Thanks to all who were able to attend and participate in our reconvening of the Columbia River Toxics Reduction Working Group in The Dalles, OR, and kick off to implementing Clean Water Act, Section 123, Columbia River Basin Restoration Act. Thanks again to the support from the Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership, in hosting our group at the beautiful Columbia Gorge Discovery Center. Thanks to all

the wonderful and interesting meeting presenters for sharing great information with the group. Thanks to Michelle Wilcox for organizing the meeting start due to my late arrival. Thanks to Catherine Corbett for organizing us all, and helping us have an orderly lunch process. 😊

As a quick summary, the meeting was attended by the states of OR, WA, and ID; Columbia River Basin Tribes and consortia, Federal agencies representatives, municipalities, NGOs, Ports, River users, and private citizens. The meeting provided a forum to discuss the implementation of the Columbia River Basin Restoration Act passed by Congress and signed by the President in 2016 amending the Clean Water Act by adding Section 123, Columbia River Basin Restoration. Presently the Act language does not include an authorization or an appropriation, although there is language in the current Senate appropriations bill to provide a \$30 million authorization and \$1 million appropriation. If and when that funding is approved by Congress, EPA would develop a competitive grant program as directed in Section 123.

The meeting discussed the history of the Columbia River Toxics Reduction Program, the official convening of the voluntary Columbia River Basin Restoration Working Group under the Act and the development of a program management plan as recommended by GAO in August 2018. The meeting also included important technical presentations and partnership updates related to toxics in the Basin to promote collaboration and information sharing.

Action items which came out of the meeting include a work effort led by EPA to establish two teams:

- first, convening the Working Group under the Act requirements, and
- second, developing a program management plan as requested by GAO in August 2018.

Two additional actions include;

- An EPA led effort to develop a report card on the implementation of the 61 actions identified in the 2010 Columbia River Basin Toxics Reduction Action Plan in order to provide a foundation for the program management plan;
- and a re-examination of the 2007 contaminants of concern developed for the State of the River Report, led by USGS.

The teams will meet in December and the working group plans a meeting in early February.

We will provide a meeting summary that will be posted on the EPA Columbia River website, and the meeting ppts will be posted there as well. We will be back in touch with Working Group members as we develop the report card/assessment; and as we convene the Teams to develop the Working Group under the Act requirements and develop the program management plan.

There are 3 important follow up actions from yesterday's meeting:

***1) If you do not want to be on this email list, please send me an email asking to be removed from this list and you will be removed and will no longer receive emails or meeting invitations on the Columbia River toxics reduction work efforts.***

2) Alec Maule and Keith Kutchins both discussed the Northwest Power and Conservation Council Fish and Wildlife Amendment process, the due date for comments is December 13, 2018. In the past Working Group members have sent comments to the Council recommending increased attention on contaminants in the Columbia River Basin. I am including a synthesis of Council documents relating to toxics and contaminants as Alec discussed yesterday and requested that I distribute. Here is the link to provide comments to the Council for their amendment process:

<https://www.nwcouncil.org/fw/program/2018-amendments>

3) I have updated information from Heather Stebbings, Pacific Northwest Waterways Association, on the proposed \$30 million authorization, here is the enrolled bill language:

SEC. 4105. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN RESTORATION. Section 123(d) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1275(d)) is amended by adding at the end the following: “(6) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this subsection \$30,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 and 2021.”.

Thanks all! Please contact me if you need more information as we move forward on this important work.

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